## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of claims:**

- 1 (currently amended): A method for wireless communication for non-latencydependent data, the method comprising:
  - (a) receiving data for transmission to a base station;
  - (b) determining, based on a <u>an absence of a</u> latency dependency of the data <u>due to a content of the data</u>, wherein the content includes at least one of <u>private</u>, <u>public or business information</u>, whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel; and
  - (c) if the data is not appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel, transmitting the data over a traffic channel.
- 2 (original): The method of claim 1, wherein said determining includes determining whether the data is less than a predetermined size.
- 3 (currently amended): A method for wireless communication for non-latencydependent data, the method comprising:
  - (a) receiving data for transmission to a base station;
  - (b) determining, based on a <u>an absence of a</u> latency dependency of the data <u>due to a content of the data</u>, wherein the content includes at least one of <u>private</u>, <u>public or business information</u>, whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel;
  - if the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel,
    determining whether network conditions are favorable for transmission
    over a digital control channel; and

- (d) if network conditions are favorable, transmitting the data over a digital control channel to the base station.
- 4 (original): The method of claim 3, further comprising the steps of:
  - (e) queuing the data for future transmission if network conditions are not favorable for transmitting the data; and
  - (f) repeating step (c) until network conditions are favorable for transmitting data.
- 5 (original): The method of claim 4, wherein said determining whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel includes determining whether the data is less than a predetermined size.
- 6 (original): The method of claim 5, wherein conditions favorable for transmission include the existence of a slot in the digital control channel into which the data can be placed for transmission.
- 7 (currently amended): A method for wireless communication for non-latencydependent data, the method comprising:
  - (a) receiving data for transmission to a base station;
  - (b) determining, based on a <u>an absence of a</u> latency dependency of the data due to a content of the data, wherein the content includes at least one of <u>private</u>, <u>public or business information</u>, whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel;
  - (c) if the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel, queuing the received data for transmission;
  - (c) monitoring network conditions for conditions favorable for transmission;and
  - (d) transmitting the data over a digital control channel when network conditions are favorable for transmission.

- 8 (original): The method of claim 7, wherein the conditions favorable for transmission include the existence of a slot in the digital control channel into which the data can be placed for transmission.
- 9 (currently amended): An apparatus for transmitting non-latency-dependent data over a wireless system, the apparatus comprising:
  - (a) a processor; and
  - (b) a memory coupled to said processor, said memory storing instructions adapted to be executed on said processor, the instructions including:
    - (i) receiving data for transmission to a base station;
    - (ii) determining, based on a <u>an absence of a</u> latency dependency of the data <u>due to a content of the data</u>, <u>wherein the content includes</u> <u>at least one of private</u>, <u>public or business information</u>, whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel;
    - (iii) if the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel, determining whether network conditions are favorable for transmission over a digital control channel; and
    - (iv) if network conditions are favorable, transmitting the data over a digital control channel to the base station.
- 10 (original): The apparatus of claim 9, said memory storing further instructions adapted to be executed on said processor, said further instructions including:
  - queuing the data for future transmission if network conditions are not favorable for transmitting the data; and
  - (vi) repeating step (iii) until network conditions are favorable for transmitting data.
- 11 (original): The apparatus of claim 10, wherein said determining whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel includes determining whether the data is less than a predetermined size.

- 12 (original): The apparatus of claim 11, wherein conditions favorable for transmission include the existence of a slot in the digital control channel into which the data can be placed for transmission.
- 13 (currently amended): An apparatus for wireless communication for non-latencydependent data, the apparatus comprising:
  - (a) a processor; and
  - (b) a memory coupled to said processor, said memory storing instructions adapted to be executed on said processor, said instructions including:
    - (i) receiving data for transmission to a base station;
    - (ii) determining, based on a <u>an absence of a</u> latency dependency of the data <u>due to a content of the data</u>, <u>wherein the content includes</u> <u>at least one of private</u>, <u>public or business information</u>, whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel;
    - (iii) if the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel, queuing the received data for transmission;
    - (iv) monitoring network conditions for conditions favorable for transmission; and
    - (v) transmitting the data over a digital control channel when network conditions are favorable for transmission.
- 14 (original): The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the conditions favorable for transmission include the existence of a slot in the digital control channel into which the data can be placed for transmission.
- 15 (currently amended): A medium for wireless communication of non-latencydependent data, the medium storing instructions adapted to be executed on a processor, the instructions comprising:
  - (a) receiving data for transmission to a base station;
  - (b) determining, based on a <u>an absence of a</u> latency dependency of the data <u>due to a content of the data</u>, wherein the <u>content includes at least one of</u>

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- <u>private</u>, <u>public or business information</u>, whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel;
- (c) if the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel, determining whether network conditions are favorable for transmission over a digital control channel; and
- (d) if network conditions are favorable, transmitting the data over a digital control channel to the base station.
- 16 (original): The medium of claim 15, said medium storing further instructions adapted to be executed on a processor, the further instructions comprising:
  - queuing the data for future transmission if network conditions are not favorable for transmitting the data; and
  - (f) repeating step (c) until network conditions are favorable for transmitting data.
- 17 (original): The medium of claim 16, wherein said determining whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel includes determining whether the data is less than a predetermined size.
- 18 (original): The medium of claim 17, wherein medium conditions favorable for transmission include the existence of a slot in the digital control channel into which the data can be placed for transmission.
- 19 (currently amended): A medium for wireless communication for non-latencydependent data, the medium storing instructions adapted to be executed a processor, the instructions comprising:
  - (a) receiving data for transmission to a base station;
  - (b) determining, based on a <u>an absence of a</u> latency dependency of the data <u>due to a content of the data</u>, <u>wherein the content includes at least one of private, public or business information</u>, whether the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel;

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- (c) if the data is appropriate for transmission over a digital control channel, queuing the received data for transmission;
- (c) monitoring network conditions for conditions favorable for transmission; and
- (d) transmitting the data over a digital control channel when network conditions are favorable for transmission.
- 20 (original): The medium of claim 19, wherein the conditions favorable for transmission include the existence of a slot in the digital control channel into which the data can be placed for transmission.